them in the performance of their duties under this subpart.

§1150.139 Powers of the Board.

The Board shall have the following powers:

- (a) To receive and evaluate, or on its own initiative develop, and budget for plans or projects to promote the use of fluid milk and dairy products as well as projects for research and nutrition education and to make recommendations to the Secretary regarding such proposals;
- (b) To administer the provisions of this subpart in accordance with its terms and provisions;
- (c) To make rules and regulations to effectuate the terms and provisions of this subpart:
- (d) To receive, investigate, and report to the Secretary complaints of violations of the provisions of this subpart;
- (e) To disseminate information to producers or eligible organizations through programs or by direct contact utilizing the public postage system or other systems;
- (f) To select committees and subcommittees of Board members, and to adopt such rules for the conduct of its business as it may deem advisable;
- (g) To establish advisory committees of persons other than Board members and pay the necessary and reasonable expenses and fees of the members of such committees;
- (h) To recommend to the Secretary amendments to this subpart; and
- (i) With the approval of the Secretary, to invest, pending disbursement pursuant to a plan or project, funds collected through assessments authorized under §1150.152 in, and only in, obligations of the United States or any agency thereof, in general obligations of any State or any political subdivision thereof, in any interest-bearing account or certificate of deposit of a bank that is a member of the Federal Reserve System, or in obligations fully guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States.

§1150.140 Duties of the Board.

The Board shall have the following duties:

(a) To meet not less than annually, and to organize and select from among

its members a chairman and such other officers as may be necessary;

- (b) To appoint from its members an executive committee whose membership shall equally reflect each of the different regions in the United States in which milk is produced, and to delegate to the committee authority to administer the terms and provisions of this subpart under the direction of the Board and within the policies determined by the Board;
- (c) To appoint or employ such persons as it may deem necessary and define the duties and determine the compensation of each;
- (d) To review all programs that promote milk and dairy products on a brand or trade name basis that have requested certification pursuant to §1150.153, and to recommend to the Secretary whether such request should be granted;
- (e) To develop and submit to the Secretary for approval, promotion, research, and nutrition education plans or projects resulting from research or studies conducted either by the Board or others;
- (f) To solicit, among other proposals, research proposals that would increase the use of fluid milk and dairy products by the military and by persons in developing nations, and that would demonstrate the feasibility of converting surplus nonfat dry milk to casein for domestic and export use;
- (g) To prepare and submit to the Secretary for approval, budgets on a fiscal period basis of its anticipated expenses and disbursements in the administration of this subpart, including probable costs of promotion, research and nutrition education plans or projects, and also including a general description of the proposed promotion, research and nutrition education programs contemplated therein;
- (h) To maintain such books and records, which shall be available to the Secretary for inspection and audit, and prepare and submit such reports from time to time to the Secretary as the Secretary may prescribe, and to make appropriate accounting with respect to the receipt and disbursement of all funds entrusted to it;
- (i) With the approval of the Secretary, to enter into contracts or